

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant: D.A. Farias et al. Examiner: Gerald J. O'Connor
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RESPONSE TO NOTIFICATION OF
NON-COMPLIANT APPEAL BRIEF

Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In a Notification of Non-Compliant Appeal Brief dated May 9, 2006, the Examiner found that the Appeal Brief is non-compliant because the statement of grounds for rejection/arguments was not in the proper form, notwithstanding that the form Applicants used followed the suggested form in the Manual of Patent Examination and Procedure. Applicants submit herewith a new appeal brief with corrected language for the "Grounds of Rejection" section that the Examiner suggested. Applicants request entry and consideration of this new Appeal Brief.

The attorney of record invites the Examiner to contact him at (310) 553-7977 if the Examiner believes such contact would advance the prosecution of the case.

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